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SUBJECT: EC/FSL REGIONAL SEMINAR

REF: USDOC 11965

- 1, HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR 15 SINGLES AT \$21.00 PER DAY HAVE BEEN MADE AT THE HOLIDAY INN FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 29 TO NOVEMBER 3. CONFERENCE ROOM FACILITIES ALSO AVAILABLE AT SAME HOTEL AT RATE OF 200 PESOS PER DAY. HOTEL FUNCTION ROOM NORMALLY GIVEN FREE OF CHARGE IF MEALS ARE SERVED. HOLIDAY INN OFFERED BEST RATES COMPARED TO OTHER HOTELS NEAR EMBASSY. HOLIDAY INN ALSO GUARANTEES SUPERIOR ROOM ACCOMMODATIONS. HOWEVER, DUE TO THE PARTICULARLY TIGHT SITUATION DURING THIS PERIOD BECAUSE OF THE SCHEDULED INTERNATIONAL ROTARY CONFERENCE, HOTEL REQUIRES A 30 DAYS CANCELLATION OPTION PRIOR TO THE PARTICIPANTS ARRIVAL. FAILURE TO DO SO WOULD RESULT IN A ONE-NIGHT CANCELLATIONCHARGE.
- 2. FOR INDUSTRIAL/MANUFACTURING SITE VISIT, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS TRIP TO THE EXPORT PROCESSING ZONE IN BATAAN. THIS, HOWEVER, REQUIRES FULL DAY BUT IS WELL WORTH THE TIME. THE ZONE IS ACCESSIBLE BY PRIVATE HOVERCRAFT AT 50 PESOS PER PERSON ROUND TRIP. TRANSPORTATION WITHIN THE UNCLASSIFIED

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ZONE WILL BE PROVIDED BY ZONE AUTHORITIES. LUNCH IS AVAILABLE AT APPROXIMATELY 3 DOLLARS PER HEAD AT THE BATAAN HILLTOP AT PARTICIPANT'S EXPENSE. DAILY HOVER-CRAFT SCHEDULE IS:

8:00 A.M. DEPART MANILA9:15 A.M. ARRIVE ZONE

3:30 P.M. DEPART ZONE4:45 P.M. ARRIVE MANILA

IF COMMERCE AGREES WITH PROPOSAL, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING OBJECTIVES OF OBSERVATION TOUR FOR TRANSMITTAL TO ZONE AUTHORITIES.

- 3. CEBU HAS RESPONDED DIRECTLY CONCERNING ITS INTEREST.
- 4. CONTROL OFFICER FOR SUBJECT SEMINAR IS WYATT MARTIN. MURHPY

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